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## **QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST**

There follows a listing of some of the significant issues responded to by WBFF-TV,  
Baltimore, Maryland, along with the most significant  
programming treatment for the period of

October 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008

The order in which the issues appear does not reflect any priority  
or significance. The list is by no means exhaustive.

## **ISSUE: ELECTIONS**

Program: American Crossroads  
Broadcast Date: October 11, 18, 25, November 1/10:30PM  
Length: 30 minutes  
Source: Local  
Description: "Your Votes"...a series of 4 programs detailing the issues of the upcoming elections; candidate debates and what their body language is telling us; comparison and contrast of the candidates' platforms on economy, health care and foreign affairs; and a pre-election recaps of issue specific information in the candidate's

### **News at Ten Cover Stories:**

Broadcast Date: October 1 /10:17PM  
Length: 3:30  
Source: Local  
Description: A look at possible polling problems in Maryland. Many voters are worried about the equipment used to cast and tally votes. Will the people's choice be accurate?

Broadcast Date: October 2/10:18PM  
Length: 3:40  
Source: Local  
Description: Anchor Jeff Barnd and political analyst Richard Vatz dissect the vice-presidential debate.

Broadcast Date: October 7/10:11PM  
Length: 4:00  
Source: Local  
Description: Anchor Jeff Barnd and political analyst Richard Vatz dissect the presidential debate

Broadcast Date: October 14/10:19PM  
Length: 3:50  
Source: Local  
Description: What happens when one casts their vote for president? Jennifer Gilbert reports on the mechanics of the Electoral College.

Broadcast Date: October 22/10:23PM  
Length: 3:30  
Source: Local  
Description: Penny Politics...What are the issues of this year's presidential elections? From the War in Iraq to the battle over the economy, Jeff Abell examines the issues that affect consumers/voters.

Broadcast Date: October 30/10:22PM  
Length: 4:00  
Source: Local  
Description: A look at the impact of the college vote. This year's election will see a record number of young people voting. What issues are they passionate about and where do they stand on the candidates?

Broadcast Date: November 4/10-11:30PM  
Length: 90 minutes  
Source: Local  
Description: Team coverage of election results...federal and local elections.

**ISSUE: ECONOMY**

Program: American Crossroads  
Broadcast Date: November 8/10:30PM  
Length: 30 minutes  
Source: Local  
Description: Dave Williams of Citizens Against Government Waste, addresses the massive government bailout. A look at how we got into economic straits and where the future might lead..

Program: American Crossroads  
Broadcast Date: November 15/10:30PM  
Length: 30 minutes  
Source: Local  
Description: Generation E....teens and young adults and society as a whole from those at the poverty line to Fortune 500 companies....are asking more and more...."What's in this for me"? A look at the views on entitlement...from bailouts, to salaries, to housing. Donna Gallagher, a marketing and employment expert, is the guest.

Program: American Crossroads  
Broadcast Date: November 22/10:30PM  
Length: 30 minutes  
Source: Local  
Description: The American Dream....is it still achievable? While the housing crisis still grips the nation and we hope to see signs of recovery, the concept of the American Dream has changed. Andrew Jakabovics of the Center of American Progress is guest.

Program: American Crossroads  
Broadcast Date: Novmeber29/10:30PM  
Length: 30 minutes  
Source: Local  
Description: One meltdown after another...housing, banking, credit.....what news cans one use? The program with guest Maya MacGuineas examines coping strategies for the economic crunch.

#### News at Ten Cover Stories:

Broadcast Date: November 10/10:18PM  
Length: 3:40  
Source: Local  
Description: With foreclosure at an all time high, there are bargains and opportunities awaiting those with resources. Jennifer Gilbert examines FDIC government best buys.

Broadcast Date: November 14/10:19PM  
Length: 3:30  
Source: Local  
Description: In bad economic times, consignment shops are in the black. Melinda Roeder looks at the good times at local shops.

Broadcast Date: December 18/10:22PM  
Length: 3:30  
Source: Local  
Description: With dismal predictions f or retail holiday sales, the video game industry is on Santa's nice list. The industry is holiday its own and even sees a good holiday season...

**ISSUE: HEALTH**

Program: Straight Talk  
Broadcast: October 5/11:30PM  
Source: Local  
Length: 30 minutes  
Description: Dr. Tracy Kuneitz-Pietrzak of Sheppard Pratt discussed eating disorders with program host Mike Gimbel explaining the disorder is a life and death illness with food. Discussion focused on symptoms, psychiatry behind the disorder, treatment programs and recovery.

**News at Ten Cover Stories:**

Broadcast Date: December 30/10:18PM  
Length: 3:50  
Source: Local  
Description: "Dirty Docs"...Kathleen Cairns reports on a medical center that was closed by authorities, has reopening on foreign soil.

Broadcast Date: December 2/10:23PM  
Length: 3:30  
Source: Local  
Description: A look at preventing illness by eating foods known to be body boosters. Melinda Roeder reports.

Broadcast Date: November 17/10:17PM  
Length: 4:00  
Source: Local  
Description: Drunkorexia. A new trend is developing on college campuses where young females are starving themselves before binge drinking.

Broadcast Date: November 6/10:19PM  
Length: 3:50  
Source: Local  
Description: "Dirty Street Treats"...the city's tastiest foods like hotdogs and sausage from sidewalk vendors...can be the 'wurst' foods to ingest, Steve Levine investigate food safety on the streets of Baltimore

Broadcast Date: November 11/10:19PM  
Length: 3:50  
Source: Local  
Description: Migraine headaches are sometime incurable and those who suffer find no relief. Jeff Abel examines the new "pain zapper" which can provide relief and benefit to those who suffer from migraines.

Broadcast Date: October 21/10:24PM  
Length: 4:00  
Source: Local  
Description: An examination of cyber knife treatments as a tool in fighting cancer. No incision and the ability for patients to continue to live a normal day to day life.

Broadcast Date: October 3/10:18PM  
Length: 3:30  
Source: Local  
Description: An update on the feature reports by Patrice Harris on childhood obesity in which 4 local overweight kids found the most rewarding and remaining challenge of their young lives....joining a fitness camp to lose weight and get in better shape. A report on the results and lifestyle changed made by these children...

## **ISSUE: SUBSTANCE ABUSE**

Program: Straight Talk  
Broadcast: November 2/11:30PM  
Source: Local  
Length: 30 minutes  
Description: Johns Hopkins School of Medicine conducted a research study to explain how caffeine and energy drinks produce and control the behavior of consumers. Guests Dr. Roland Griffiths, PhD discussed the research, findings and treatments for caffeine addiction with host Mike Gimbel.

Program: Straight Talk  
Broadcast: December 7/11:30PM  
Source: Local  
Length: 30 seconds  
Description: CESAR...University of Maryland College Park established a Substance Abuse Resources Center to study addictions through research of the addiction and use, training of counselors, and dissemination of information. Director Dr. Eric Wish and program coordinator Erin Aringini discuss the center and its impact on the Maryland Community.

Program: Straight Talk  
Broadcast: October 5/11:30PM  
Source: Local  
Length: 30 minutes  
Description: Dr. Tracy Kuneitz-Pietrzak of Sheppard Pratt discussed eating disorders with program host Mike Gimbel explaining the disorder is a life and death illness with food. Discussion focused on symptoms, psychiatry behind the disorder, treatment programs and recovery.

#### News at Ten Cover Stories:

Broadcast Date: October 24/10:21PM  
Length: 3:50  
Source: Local  
Description: Drug addicts are not just a problem for inner city residents but also commuters and those who travel from the suburbs to score on the streets of Baltimore. Reporter Joy Lepola follows the drug highway by following drug addicts from the city to the county.

Broadcast Date: December 11/10:19PM  
Length: 3:45  
Source: Local  
Description: The impact of BUPE usage...Investigative reporters Steve Levine follows up on the deadly accident on the Bel air bypass last month in which a mother and children were killed in an accident cause by a driver using BUPE.

## **CRIME/CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

Program: America's Most Wanted  
Broadcast: Saturdays 9PM  
Source: Network  
Length: 60 minutes  
Description: A weekly program featuring profiles on fugitives and unsolved crimes in which viewers' help is solicited to bring criminals to justice. The program also features missing children alerts to help identify them and reunite them with their families free. An investigation of the abuse.

Program: Maryland's Most Wanted  
Broadcast: Saturdays/10:20PM  
Source: Local  
Length: 1:30  
Description: The News at Ten in cooperation with Maryland State Police, area sheriffs' offices, and the local office of the FBI presents a local "most wanted" feature following the Saturday broadcast of "America's Most Wanted". During the news feature, information about unsolved Maryland crimes and wanted fugitives is presented and viewers help is requested to bring criminals to justice.

Program: Fugitive Files:  
Broadcast: December 19, October 31/10PM – 10:45PM  
Source: Local  
Length: 45 minutes  
Description: During the The News at Ten, a team of Baltimore City Police detectives come to the studio to focus on unsolved crimes and fugitives from justice. During the show they man phones to receive viewers help in finding fugitives and taking some of Baltimore's most dangerous criminals off the streets. In December, murder and attempted murder suspects were the focus of the manhunt. In October, rape and attempted murder suspects were the focus.

#### News at Ten Cover Stories:

Broadcast Date: November 20/10:19PM  
Length: 3:45  
Source: Local  
Description: A look at how women and moms in Harford County are spending their free time but taking handgun instructions as a way to protect themselves and their families.

Broadcast Date: November 12/10:21PM  
Length: 4:10  
Source: Local  
Description: Investigative reporter Steve Levine look inside gang violence that is spreading across Baltimore. An exclusive look into the hidden and dangerous world of Baltimore gangs.

Broadcast Date: October 20/10:23PM  
Length: 3:50  
Source: Local  
Description: Anchor Jeff Barnd examines the impact of the city's hiring freeze. In attempt to save more that \$18 million, overtime and personnel shifts within the city police department will be stretched thin. What's the impact on fighting crime?



**ISSUE: CONSUMER RIGHTS**

**News at Ten Cover Stories:**

**Broadcast Date:** November 3/10:17PM  
**Length:** 4:00  
**Source:** Local  
**Description:** The Crime and Justice Team examines the dangers of online gaming and the impact on consumers' wallets.

**Broadcast Date:** November 18/10:19PM  
**Length:** 3:30  
**Source:** Local  
**Description:** An examination of the privileges and freebies that Maryland law makers receive...in addition to their \$43,500 salaries. What's the additional cost to taxpayers and impact on government?

**Broadcast Date:** November 19/10:17PM  
**Length:** 3:40  
**Source:** Local  
**Description:** Paycheck scams...Investigative reporter Steve Levine looks at how those workers strapped for cash and in need of a loan are victimized by check cashing services.